

Department of Veterans Affairs

National VA Research Week May 7 – 13, 2006

Whereas, the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is committed to biomedical, clinical, rehabilitation, and health services research as an integral component of its health care mission; and,

Whereas, VA's research programs play a vital role in the delivery of high-quality, cost-effective care for the nation's veterans; and,

Whereas, VA research makes significant contributions to advances in diagnosis and treatment of disease and disability; and,

Whereas, public awareness of VA's research accomplishments enhances the mission of the Veterans Health Administration; therefore,

The Department of Veterans Affairs hereby designates May 7 – 13, 2006, as National VA Research Week. I encourage VA medical centers to host events during this week to recognize the essential role VA research has in caring for those who have served our nation in uniform.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. James Nicholson".

R. James Nicholson
Secretary of Veterans Affairs